Ald. O'Meara spoke strongly in favor of having the bridge rebuilt at once.

Mayor Hyman would like to see some amendment made that would be an improvement on his own. He was for the rebuilding of the bridge pure and simple if it could be done for twenty mills, but if not he was opposed to it as incurring high taxation.

Ald. Hewitt believed the onus was all on the county.

Ald. Scarrow thought no blame could be laid on the city. The building of the bridge would cost $15,000, and he said let them face the music at once, and provide for $7,000 or $8,000, or let them lay it over for the year. That was just the position, and the people should know whether they could afford it.

Mayor Hyman—I am willing my motion should be referred to No. 1 Committee to see if they can provide funds.

Ald. Hunt—Make it $5,000.

Mayor Hyman—I can't say if they can do so.

Ald. Cowan thought the Council were pledged to build the bridge this year, and it would be a breach of faith not to do so. It was all very well to speak of the estimates, but he believed they should go on with the work now.

In amendment it was moved by Ald. Cowan, seconded by. Ald. O'Meara, that in compliance with the prayer of the petition signed by a large number of ratepayers asking this Council to proceed with the re-erection of Oxford street bridge, and the County Council having on 21st July last agreed in writing by a communication addressed to this Council to pay one-half the cost of said bridge, that instructions be given to the City Engineer to at once have contracts signed and to proceed with the work in conjunction with the County.

Mayor Hyman: I ask the indulgence of the Council, but I think Ald. Cowan's motion is one the Council can't pass. I am aware that the Council are in a measure pledged to build the bridge this year. I have no doubt all the members of the Council are in favor of rebuilding the bridge if possible, but under the circumstances I think my motion is the best.

The amount in his worship's motion was then changed to $5,000 and a vote was taken, when Ald. Cowan's amendment was lost.

Mayor Hyman: I move that my motion be referred to No. 1 Committee.

Ald. Birrell: I second.

Ald. Hunt: I have another amendment, Your Worship. I move that $5,000 be granted for the rebuilding of the bridge.

Ald Birrell: I ask your ruling, Mr. Chairman. This is an expenditure of money.

Ald. Skinner said this thing seemed child's play to him, and he was in favor of the Mayor's resolution. He asked if Ald. Hunt--in pressing this resolution so much—if No. 1 Committee said they could not raise the money where they were to get it from.

Ald. O'Meara—Such a resolution simply means the filing of the petition.

Several Aldermen: Oh, no.

Ald. Birrell: Your motion is out of order.

Ald. Hunt: Do you rule my motion out of order, Mr. Chairman.

The Chairman: I do.

The motion to refer the resolution of His Worship to No. 1 Committee was then carried on the following division:—

Yeas—Birrell, Labatt, Hunt, Skinner, Hewitt, Stringer, Scarrow, Mayor Hyman—8.

Nays—O'Meara, Beattie, Cowan—3.

On a vote, the Council adjourned for three weeks.

Council Proceedings.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, August 28, 1884.

The City Council met in the Council Chamber. Present—Mayor Hyman (in the chair), Ald. Birrell, O'Meara, Beattie, Cowan, Skinner, Hewitt, Stringer, Scarrow, Niven, Hunt.

Minutes of last meeting were read.

Ald. Skinner stated that the motion for a lamp on the corner of King and Adelaide streets was made by him, and not by Ald. Stringer.

This clause was corrected, and the minutes, as amended, were adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From the *Catholic Record*—Account for advertising Civic Holiday of $12. No. 1.

From J. H. Tennant and other ratepayers, petitioning for a crossing on King street. No. 2.

From the Clerk of London East, enclosing copy of resolution passed by that Council that the corporation will expend $150 more on Adelaide street, provided the city expend a like amount. No. 2.

From T. F. Kingsmill, asking remission of sewer rate on Queen's avenue, having previously built sewer at his own expense. No. 2.

From T H. Marsh, and other ratepayers, asking for a stone flag sidewalk on the south side of Dundas street, from Richmond to Talbot streets. No 2.

From W. D. Lyons and R. McDermott, relative to taxes. Chairman of No. 1, with power.

From Mary Toohey, for remission of taxes. Granted.

From W. J. Thompson, for permission to retain frame building in the fire limits. No. 3.

From W. J. Hackett, relative to milk contract at Hospital. No. 3.

From the FREE PRESS Printing Co., an account for printing and advertising. No. 1.

NUMBER THREE COMMITTEE.

By Ald. Hunt, chairman:—

1—That the application of Michael Glavin to retain a frame shed in the rear of his premises on Dufferin avenue be filed.

2—That the requisition of W. Ironsides for lamp posts, lanterns, &c., be granted, and the chairman be empowered to purchase the same.

3—That the following accounts, tenders for hospital supplies be accepted, same being lowest:—Meat—John Tanton at 6½c for hind quarters and 5½c for fore quarters of beef, and 7½c per lb. for sides of mutton; D. H. Williams for coal, chestnut, $7, stove, $7, egg, $6.80, grate, $6.60. Bread—J. Ranahan, jr., 2½c per lb; Milk—S. Cooper, 5c per quart from 1st Sept. to 1st May, and 3¾c from 1st May to 31st August: Fish—T. Brock, salmon trout, whitefish, cod, haddock at 8c per lb., and pickerel 7c per lb., herrings 25c per doz., and all other kinds of fish in season at market prices; Groceries—Tytler & Bullen; Drugs—W. T. Strong; Undertaking, no tender.

4—That the market by-law as amended be recommended for adoption.

On motion the report was received and considered seriatim.

Clause 1 read,

Ald. Hunt moved the adoption of the clause. Ald. Birrell seconded.

In amendment Ald. O'Meara moved, that the clause be amended by substituting the word "granted" for the word "fyled." Ald. Becher seconded. Carried.

On clause 2,

Moved by Ald. Birrell, seconded by Ald. Becher, that the clause be referred to No. 1, to report funds.

Ald. Hunt moved that rule 84 be suspended. Ald. Stringer seconded.

Upon a vote the motion was lost on the following division:—

Yeas—Hunt, Cowan, Stringer, Niven—4.

Nays—Birrell, O'Meara, Beattie, Skinner, Hewitt, Becher and Scarrow—7.

Motion carried.

On clause 3,

Ald. Hunt moved that the portion of the clause as to meat be adopted. Ald. Becher seconded.

In amendment, it was moved by Ald. Cowan, seconded by Ald. Stringer, that the tender of Mr. C. Taylor be accepted.

In further amendment, Ald. Scarrow moved that new tenders be called for by No. 3 Committee, said tenders to specify the weight. Ald. Hewitt seconded.

On motion of Ald. O'Meara, seconded by Ald. Stringer, Mr. C. Taylor, sen., was heard.

The amendment of Ald. Scarrow was carried.

In regard to coal,

Ald. Hunt moved the adoption of the tender. Ald. Becher seconded.

In amendment, Ald. Stringer moved that the tender of Mr. Bowman be accepted. Ald. Skinner seconded.